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MESSAGE:

Examiner Abelson:

The attached Non-Fee Amendment Under Rule 111 Transmitted By Facsimile is in response to the Office Action having a mailing date of May 10, 2004 for application serial number 09/446,320.

Respectfully submitted.

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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Wolfgang Jantzen

Ser. No. 09/446,320

Group Art Unit: 2666

Filed: December 17, 1999

Examiner: Ronald Abelson

Assignee: ABB Patent GmbH

For: Redundant Serial Bus And Method For The Operation Thereof

Docket No. Li-71472

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Cleveland, Ohio 44092

NON-FEE AMENDMENT UNDER RULE 111 TRANSMITTED BY FACSIMILE

Hon. Commissioner
For Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Examiner's Action (Paper No. 9) dated May 10, 2004 which rejected the above-identified application, please amend that application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.